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Also attached is a Notice of Reason for Rejection dated October 23, 2007, for the corresponding Japanese Patent Application JP 2003-029355 with translation. All of the documents listed in Form PTO-1449 appear in the Notice of Rejection.

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applicant respectfully submit that no fee is due. However any fee determined to be due with this

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Early and favorable consideration is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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